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1. It was learned at the Ministry for National Forces that the highest degree of alert had been in effect for the VP in East Berlin since 27 August. No reasons for this move, or details thereof, have as yet been determined. 25X1B
2. [REDACTED]
3. On the night of 28 August, an alert was ordered by the SED functionaries in the shop group management (Betriebsgewerkschaftsleitung) at the Ministry for the Construction of Transportation and Agricultural Machinery, as new anti-governmental riots were expected.
4. On 28 August, the SED Central Committee tried to organize loyal SED members into a workers' guard, since the government feared a repetition of the riots of 17 June. This guard, which was to be armed with rifles, was to protect plant machinery.

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